

R277-617 WAS APPROVED BY THE UTAH STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION ON JUNE 1, 2012. THE NEW RULE IS PUBLISHED IN THE JUNE 15, 2012 UTAH STATE BULLETIN, SUBJECT TO A 30-DAY COMMENT PERIOD, WITH A FIRST POSSIBLE EFFECTIVE DATE OF JULY 23, 2012.

**R277. Education, Administration.**

**R277-617. Smart School Technology Program.**

**R277-617-1. Definitions.**

A. "Board" means the Utah State Board of Education.

B. "Independent Evaluating Committee" means the committee established under Section 53A-1-709 (b).

C. "Smart School Technology Program (Program)" means a three-year program developed by a selected technology provider for a customized whole-school technology deployment plan individualized for each school selected by the Board.

D. "Technology," for purposes of this rule, means technology provided as examples under Section 53A-1-709(7) or other technology approved by the independent evaluating committee.

E. "USOE" means the Utah State Office of Education.

F. "Whole-school technology deployment plan" means a plan:

(1) developed and implemented in a selected public school;

(2) that involves every student and every teacher;

(3) that uses technology identified in the school's application; and

(4) that will assist the school staff in improving student academic achievement during the period of the Program.

**R277-617-2. Authority and Purpose.**

A. This rule is authorized by Utah Constitution Article X, Section 3 which vests the general control and supervision of public education in the Board, by Section 53A-1-401(3) which authorizes the Board to adopt rules in accordance with its responsibilities, and by Section 53A-1-709(8) (d) that directs the Board to make rules specifying procedures and criteria to be used for selecting schools that may participate in the Program.

B. The purpose of this rule is to provide criteria and procedures for the Board to select schools to participate in the Smart School Technology Program.

**R277-617-3. School Selection Criteria.**

A. The independent evaluating committee shall select a minimum of 3 schools and a maximum of 10 schools, based on number of applicants, cost of developing/implementing Program in the applicant schools, school needs, funds available and other relevant information.

B. Public schools that include grade levels K-12 are eligible.

C. The independent evaluating committee shall recommend and the Board shall select proposals from schools that represent, to the extent possible, geographic, economic and demographic diversity.

**R277-617-4. Procedures.**

A. A Program application shall be available from the USOE by June 3, 2012.

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B. The application must be received by the USOE before June 29, 2012.

C. All applications shall be evaluated by the independent evaluating committee and a joint recommendation provided to the Board by July 20, 2012.

D. The Board shall make final school selections at the August, 2012 meeting of the Board.

**R277-617-5. Evaluation.**

The Program shall be evaluated and reports submitted by the Board consistent with Section 53A-1-709(9).

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**Authorizing, and Implemented or Interpreted Law: Art X Sec 3; 53A-1-401(3); 53A-1-709(8) (d)**